

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Servants-Revenue Department-Allegation of Corruption against Sri Doddi Mahandata S/o late Venkataswamy, Tahsildar, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam District – Trapped on 04.02.2009-Sanction of prosecution – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No:1

Dated:01.01.2010

ORDER:

Whereas, Sri Doddi Mahandata worked as Tahsildar, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam District from 19.07.2007 to 04.02.2009 and by virtue of the post held by him, he falls under the category of public servant as defined under section 2 (c) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988).

2. And whereas, Smt Dasari Hena w/o Laxshmi Satyanarayana is a resident of Thotaluru village of Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam District. She and her mother-in-law Smt, Gottipalli Rajulamma have proposed to construct houses separately in the house sites in their possession situated in their village, under "Indiramm Gruhanirmanam Scheme". On that they gave two separate applications to the Village Sarpanch Sri Manta Venkateswarlu, who advised them to get the LPCs (Land Possession Certificate) from the Tahsildar, Koyyuru. They approached the VRO and got the LPCs recommended through VRO on 30.01.2009. Later Smt.Dasari Hena and her mother-in-law met Sri Doddi Mahandata, Tahsildar, Koyyuru on 31-1-2009 and gave him the LPCs recommended by the VRO and requested him to issue LPCs. They also requested Doddi Mahandata to issue title deed pertaining to the land admeasuring 0.50 cents in Sy.No.97/3 belongs to Smt. G. Rajulamma. Then Sri Doddi Mahandata asked Smt. G. Rajulamma to show the Pattadar Passbook concerned, on that she showed the Pattadar Passbook issued in the year 2004 to the Tahsildar. Then the Tahsildar took the said Pattadar Passbook by promises them to issue title deed for which he demanded Rs.1,000/- for issuing of title deed and Rs.500/- each for two LPCs and in all he demanded Rs.2,000/- as a bribe. Smt. Dasari Hena and her mother-in-law expressed their inability to give that much of amount as they were poor and requested him to reduce the bribe amount some extent. Then Sri Doddi Mahandata asked them to bring at least Rs.1700/- so that he would issue two LPCs, title deed along with the passbook. Then they expressed their inability to provide that much of amount available with them. Sri Doddi Mahandata directed them to bring the bribe amount of Rs.1,700/- after securing from some where within 3 or 4 days. Smt Dasari Hena and her mother-in-law Smt. G. Rajulamma reluctantly agreed to pay the bribe amount of Rs.1,700/-and left the office. They were not willing to pay the demanded bribe amount of Rs.1,700/- to Sri Doddi Mahandata, Tahsildar, Smt. G. Rajulamma, mother-in-law of Smt Dasari Hena directed her to lodge a complaint of the concerned authorities.

Hence Smt Dasari Hena lodged a written complaint with the Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam on 03.02.2009 with above facts with a request to take necessary action against Sri Doddi Mahandata, Tahsildar, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam District;

3. And whereas Dy.Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vizianagaram in-charge Deputy Superintendent of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Visakhapatnam after due verification registered the same as case in crime No.02/RCT-VSP/2009 under section 7 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) at 07.00 hours on 04.02.2009 and investigated into the matter;

4. And Whereas, during the course of trap on 04.02.2009 at 11.45 hours, Sri Doddi Mahandata, Tahsildar, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam district further demanded and accepted the bribe amount of Rs.1,700/- from Smt Dasari Hena. Sri Doddi Mandaatha received the bribe amount with his right hand and kept in his right side table drawer after counted with both hands. The tainted amount of Rs.1,700/-was recovered from right side drawer of the table of Tahsildar Sri D. Mahandata found on (RASB) Rajee Arogya Sree Bheema health card of Smt N. Akkayamma. Both the hand fingers of Doddi Mahandata and the contact upper portion of the R.A.S.B. Health card of N. Akkayamma wiped with a cotton swab and subjected to chemical test yielded positive result. The I/c Deputy Superintendent of Police seized the tainted amount of Rs.1,700/- connected documents etc, for the purpose of investigation;

5. And whereas, the above said acts of Sri Doddi Mandata, Tahsildar, Koyyur Mandal, Visakhapatnam District constitute offences punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1988 (Act 49 of 1988);

6. And whereas, the Government of Andhra Pradesh, being the competent authority to remove the said Sri Doddi Mandata, formerly Tahsildar, from the Government service after fully and carefully examining the material placed viz., copies of FIR, copies of statements of witnesses, copies of documents and other material before them in respect of the above said allegations and having regard to the facts and circumstances of the case, consider that the said Sri Doddi Mahandata, formerly Tahsildar, Koyyur Mandal, Visakhapatnam District should be prosecuted in a competent Court of Law for the aforesaid offences;

6. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred under clause (b) of sub-section (1) of Section 19 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988), the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby accord sanction for the Prosecution of Sri Doddi Mahandata, formerly Tahsildar, Koyyur Mandal, Visakhapatnam District for the above said offences

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punishable under section 7 and sub-section (2) of section 13 read with clause (d) of sub-section (1) of section 13 of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (Act 49 of 1988) and for any other cognate offences punishable under any other provisions of Law for the time being in force in respect of above said acts and for taking cognizance of the said offences by a court of competent jurisdiction.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

(ASUTOSH MISHRA)
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director General,
Anti-Corruption Bureau,
Hyderabad.

// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER